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February 2nd, 1921

Joseph Warren Cutler, Esq.,
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My dear Sir:

Mr. Henry Russell Browne, one of the Governors of this Society, has called my attention to his correspondence with you and the catalogue of your Collection of Decorations. He tells me that he has suggested that you visit our Museum, and I wish to assure you of the very cordial desire on my own part that you become acquainted with our Collection.

It happens that my own especial interest runs to this part of our work, and I am sure that it would give me great pleasure to show you what we have.

There are so few Americans who are interested in this particular phase of collecting, that we are always glad to learn of another. As a matter of fact, I could probably put you in touch with some half dozen gentlemen who are endeavoring to cover the same field as yourself.

Trusting that I may soon see you, I am

Very truly yours,

Assistant to Curator

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My dear Sir:-

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your courteous favor of the 2nd inst., and assure you that it will give me great pleasure to accept your kind invitation to visit the Society's Museum when I am again in New York.

The collecting of the few medals and decorations that I have picked up from time to time during the past thirty years has afforded me a great deal of pleasure. However, I have always felt the lack of somebody to play with, so to speak, and I am very glad to learn of the existence of such a collection as you have, and to find that there are others interested in this subject. Of course, I knew that there must be collections, but until I received Mr. Drowne's letter I had absolutely no knowledge of any group of military medals and decorations in this country other than my own.

Mr. Drowne, in a note which I take to be yours, enclosed in his letter, refers to a lot of decorations which has been sent to the Society on consignment. If, after these have been looked over and such specimens selected as were desired by your members, they could be sent to me, I would like very much to have an opportunity of looking at them and perhaps selecting a few for myself. I make this suggestion with considerable hesitation as I realize that the objects would have to be carefully catalogued and checked both when they are sent and when they are returned, which might be quite a task, depending of course, on the nature and completeness of the list accompanying the collection.

I carefully note also the queries as to some of the objects listed in my little catalogue, and shall have pleasure in looking up these questions and

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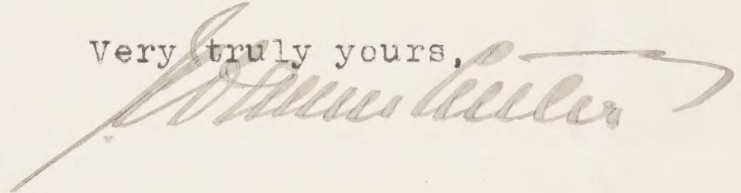
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reporting on them as soon as I have an opportunity. My "Sons of the Revolution" insignia No. 22, Frame 5, is standard size, of gold, and was bought by me, or for me, at a sale of the Provident Loan Society at the Fifth Avenue Auction Rooms some twenty years ago. There is, I believe, a number engraved on the back by which it could probably be traced to its original owner. It attracted my attention as a member of the Society and as a collector.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, likely of Joseph Warren Cutler, written in dark ink. The signature is fluid and extends across the width of the letter, with a long, sweeping underline that curves back towards the right.

JWC/HP